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TO: School Food Authority Administrators/Foodservice Managers

FROM: Christine Emerson, Director, School Nutrition Programs

SUBJECT: USDA-approved Nutrient Analysis Software

This is to inform you of a recent change to the list of USDA-approved Nutrient Standard Menu Planning (NSMP) and School Meals Initiative (SMI) nutrient analysis software programs available to school food authorities (SFAs) to meet SMI requirements. *Meal Tracker Menu Planning (formerly Simple Menu Planning)* from Accu-Scan Division has not met the USDA requirements for use in conducting nutrient analyses for NSMP and SMI requirements for the 2007-08 school year. The USDA-approved status for *Meal Tracker Menu Planning* will expire on July 1, 2007, because the software was not updated to include the most recent Child Nutrition Database Release 10.

SFAs that are currently using *Meal Tracker Menu Planning* must begin the procurement process for purchasing new software approved for use in the National School Lunch and Breakfast Programs (NSLP and NSBP) from the list located at the Healthy Meals Resource System Web site (HMRS). Current Accu-Scan customers can continue to use *Meal Tracker Menu Planning* until the end of the 2006-07 school year. The current list of USDA-approved software programs is attached for your reference and can be found at:
http://healthymeals.nal.usda.gov/nal_display/index.php?info_center=14&tax_level=2&tax_subject=234&topic_id=1209.

Potential customers considering the purchase of *Meal Tracker Menu Planning* for use in the NSLP and NSBP for the 2007-08 school year should redirect their procurement efforts to include any of the other USDA-approved software packages listed at the HMRS Web sites (attached).

The information regarding this change in USDA-approved software is being disseminated so that schools can be equipped with accurate and up-to-date approved nutrient analysis software for the 2007-08 school year.

Attachment

USDA-approved Software Programs

We provide this information to assist school districts in the selection of a software system to implement Nutrient Standard Menu Planning. Food and Nutrition Service will notify the regional offices about the approval of additional software systems.

- **View the Benefits of Using USDA-Approved Software**
- **Learn About the Software Evaluation Team**

During the past year (July 2005 - June 2006), the following companies have submitted programs for evaluation and are in the process of meeting the specifications required for approval by USDA:

- Cybersoft Technologies
- Eatec Software Corporation
- MCS Software

Click on a software title from the list below to view a chart with additional information about the program **provided by the software developer**. The following charts provide detailed information about costs, training, support, functions, additional services and features, and hardware requirements of the approved programs.

Bon Appetit
Bon Appetit Food Service Software
1800 Buckner St., Suite C-249
Shreveport, LA 71101-4438
Contact: Sales & Marketing Dept.
Telephone: (800) 347-4681, ext. 201 or (318) 221-0070
Fax: (318) 221-0690
E-mail: sales@bonappetitsoftware.com
Web site: www.bonappetitsoftware.com

LunchBox
Data Futures
416 Skidmore Drive
Harlan, KY
Telephone: (800) 256-8224
Fax: (800) 256-8232
E-mail: support@datafutures.com
Web site: www.lunchbox-k12.com

Meal Tracker Menu Planning (USDA-approval expires on July 1, 2007)*
Formerly Simple Menu Planning; Sold to AccuScan Division in March 2005
Accu-Scan Division
Superior School Supplies, Inc.
1818 W 2nd Street
Wichita, KS 67203
Contact: Sales and Marketing
Telephone: (888) 880-8278
Fax: (316) 262-1095
E-mail: sales@accu-scan.com
Web site: www.accu-scan.com

*This program is no longer being maintained by Accu-Scan Division and does not contain the newest version of the Child Nutrition Database (CN10). Users who rely on USDA-approved software should begin the procurement process so that they may obtain USDA-approved software by the start of the 2007 school year.

Meals Plus

Education Management Systems, Inc.
4110 Shipyard Blvd
Wilmington, NC 28403
Telephone:(800) 541-8999
Fax: (910) 799-5427
E-mail: sales@mealsplus.com
Web site: www.mealsplus.com

Nutrikids

LunchByte Systems Support Staff
550 Latona Road, Building F
Rochester, NY 14626
Telephone: (800) 724-9853
Fax: (585) 227-8594
E-mail: help@nutrikids.com
Web site: www.nutrikids.com

TrakNOW - Nutrition on the Web
(Fastrak School & Rightrak District Suites)
PCS Revenue Control Systems, Inc.
560 Sylvan Avenue
Englewood Cliffs, NJ 07632
Sales and Marketing
Telephone: (800) 247-3061; (201) 568-8300
Fax: (800) 854-3387; (201) 568-8381
E-mail: weCare@pcsRCS.com
Web site: www.pcsRCS.com

Visual B.O.S.S.
(Back Office Software Solutions)
Horizon Software International, LLC.
5835 Highway 20
Loganville, GA 30052
Contact: John Tatham
Telephone: (800) 741-7100
Fax: (770) 554-6331
E-mail: jtatham@horizon-boss.com
Web site: www.horizon-boss.com

WinSNAP
(WebSMARTT - Powered by WinSNAP™)
School-Link Technologies, Inc.
P.O. Box 2410
Santa Monica, CA 90407
Contact: Sandy DeSantis
Telephone: (800) 423-2113, ext. 8947
Fax: (310) 656-6845
E-mail: sandyd@sl-tech.net
Web site: www.school-linktechnologies.com

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